

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

# DRAFT REMOVAL ACTION WORKPLAN PROPOSED ORTHOPAEDIC HOSPITAL MAGNET HIGH SCHOOL SITE

Los Angeles, California

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: November 20 to December 19, 2001

#### WHAT'S BEING PROPOSED?

The California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) invites public comment on the draft Removal Action Workplan for the Los Angeles Unified School District's proposed Orthopaedic Hospital Magnet High School Site. The proposed school site is located adjacent to the hospital between the intersections of south Grand Ave. and west Adams Blvd., and south Grand Ave. and west 23<sup>rd</sup> St., in Los Angeles. This workplan addresses the removal of approximately 174 cubic yards of soil from three isolated areas on the proposed school site. During the site investigation, lead and polyaromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) were detected in shallow soil samples in concentrations that exceed human health risk standards. The impacted soil generally exists no deeper than 4.5 feet below ground surface.

DTSC has prepared a draft Notice of Exemption for this project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act. The project is considered exempt since DTSC has found no evidence that the cleanup will have a significant negative effect on the environment.

#### WHY THIS NOTICE?

The purpose of this notice is to provide the interested public the opportunity to learn more about the project and provide comments to DTSC, concerning the proposed soil removal action, within thirty (30) days of this notice.

### **HOW DO I PARTICIPATE?**

Your participation is encouraged. Comments concerning the draft Removal Action Workplan may be submitted in writing to Shawna Chambers, Project Manager, at the Department of Toxic Substances Control at the address listed below and must be postmarked by **December 19, 2001**.

### WHERE DO I GET MORE INFORMATION?

A copy of the draft Removal Action Workplan and other project documents are available at the Exposition Park Regional Library, 3665 S. Vermont Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90007. All site documents and the full Administrative Record pertaining to this project are available for review during office hours at the Department of Toxic Substances Control, Regional Records Room, 1011 N. Grandview Avenue, Glendale, CA 91201. Contact: Jone Barrio at (818) 551-2886.

#### **CONTACT:**

If you have any questions or wish to discuss the project, please contact Treva Miller, DTSC Public Participation Specialist at (818) 551-2846, or Khaled Abu-Zeid, CDM Project Manager, LAUSD Office of Environmental Health and Safety, at (818) 702-0933. Si desea información en español, comuníquese con el Sr. Eloy Florez de el DTSC al (818) 551-2875.

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